



# Yucca Weekly Update



**Councilmember Joyce Clark - City of Glendale, Arizona**

**Yucca District - where Glendale's past, present and future meet.**

**April 16, 2010**

## **Yucca District Meeting**

**6 p.m.**

**Monday, May 17**

Coyote Ridge Elementary School  
7677 W. Bethany Home Rd.

Please join Councilmember Joyce Clark for her next Yucca District meeting on May 17. Councilmember Clark and staff from city departments will update residents on citywide and district news. Speakers will also be available to answer questions. For more information call the City Council Office at (623) 930-2878.



## **Parks and Recreation Master Plan Public Workshop #1**

April 29, 2010  
6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Location: Glendale Main Library  
5959 W. Brown St.

**27th Annual Glendale Jazz & Blues Festival-This Weekend!** The 27th Annual Glendale Jazz & Blues Festival will feature a tremendous lineup of local, regional and national entertainment in Historic Downtown Glendale April 17-18. Again this year, Glendale's longest-running festival will feature an eclectic mix of artisans representing myriad art forms. Four artists will work on-site, giving event attendees an interactive, one-of-a-kind experience to add to the musical performances.

The Glendale Jazz & Blues Festival will also feature craft artisans, and delicious food and beverages, including wine tasting by Kokopelli Winery.

The event will run noon to 10 p.m. on Saturday, April 17 and noon to 6 p.m. on Sunday, April 18. Admission and parking are free. Parking is located throughout the downtown area, including handicapped parking. Historic Downtown Glendale is located at 58th and Glendale avenues. [Click here](#) for more information and the music line-up.

Sponsors for the event include KTVK Channel 3, Arizona Republic, KOOL, KMLE, JAMZ, Kokopelli Winery, Sedona Pines and Pacific Monarch Resorts. The 27th Annual Glendale Jazz & Blues Festival is produced by Glendale's Office of Special Events.

**Glendale Police to Host Shred Event.** The Glendale Police Department is teaming up with the Target Corporation Saturday, April 17, 2010 for the city's "Shred It and Forget It" event. This free "drive-thru" event is designed to promote public awareness about identity theft and fraud prevention. According to the Federal Trade Commission, identity theft impacts at least 9 million people each year. Shredding documents, instead of throwing them in the garbage, is an essential tool in combating identity theft.

Community members are invited to bring their unwanted personal documents to be shredded securely on site, free of charge. Law Enforcement staff will be on hand to assist residents with the shredding of up to three boxes (banker-size) of personal documents at no charge from 9 a.m. until noon (or until the trucks get full) at the Target Store located at 10404 North 43rd Avenue.

Crime Prevention Specialists from the Glendale Police Department will be available to answer questions throughout the event. Event participation is on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information, call (623) 930-2571.

**Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update Workshop.** The City of Glendale is in the process of preparing an update to the existing Parks and Recreation Master Plan. The last plan was adopted in February 2002, and since that time many changes have occurred within the community and surrounding areas.

As a first step, the public is invited to attend a meeting on April 29. Those attending will have an opportunity to learn about the parks and recreation system and provide feedback. The preliminary goals and objectives, results of an analysis of the existing conditions and other background information will be presented for review and comment.

For more information, [click here](#) or call (623) 930-2820.

**Glendale Seeks Input on Fair Housing Concerns.** As a recipient of federal funds, Glendale works with our non-profit partners to educate and address identified fair housing issues in the city. Glendale announces a new survey called the “Analysis of Impediments Study” that is available on-line.

The city encourages the public to provide input on any impediments or any barriers that are experienced, which could affect their rights to fair housing choice. Impediments to fair housing choice are defined as any actions, omissions, or decisions that restrict, or have the effect of restricting, the availability of housing choices, based on race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin.

Glendale is committed to fair housing practices and wants to ensure it is doing all that it can to eliminate barriers to fair housing. The “Analysis of Impediments Study,” will be available until April 30, 2010. [Click here](#) and scroll down to “Your Input Requested for the Analysis of Impediments Study” under “News and Events.” Please be aware that you will be linked to a new website to complete the survey.

## Around Town

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[Click here](#) for the City Council meeting schedule.

**Recession Response Classes Continue.** If you are still on the job hunt, go to [www.glendaleaz.com/library](http://www.glendaleaz.com/library) and click on “recession response.” There you can check out the free computer classes the Glendale Public Library is offering. A variety of classes are available through July. For more information, call (623) 930-3555.

**Military Academy Day.** Congressman Ed Pastor is hosting a Military Academy Day on Saturday, April 17, 10-11 a.m., at Alhambra High School Auditorium, 3839 W. Camelback Road. Those attending can speak with representatives from various academies, learn how the nomination process works and learn about application requirements and deadlines. For more information, call the Office of Congressman Pastor at (602) 256-0551.

**Camp at Glendale’s Historic Park!** The Glendale Parks & Recreation Department is offering a unique and first-time activity at its historic Sahuaro Ranch Park, 9802 N. 59th Ave. The Chuck Wagon Family Campout will be held Friday to Saturday, April 30 to May 1, with check-in beginning at 4 p.m. and check-out at 10 a.m.

The event offers a unique camping experience for families to escape from “city life” to Glendale’s secluded 17-acre Sahuaro Ranch Park Historic Area for great family activities and gourmet food. The evening will consist of games; educational programs including astronomy, wildlife conservation, mapping and compassing; kids camp crafts and campfire entertainment from cowboy poets and storytellers. Campers will enjoy a full-service dinner and breakfast from a real chuck wagon with gourmet menu items cooked Dutch oven style.

The price is just \$29 for Glendale residents and \$34 for non-residents with children aged 3 and under free. Preregistration is required. A free sleeping bag will be given to children ages 15 and under compliments of the Wonderful Outdoor World educational program. Overnight security and on-site camp counselors will assist with camp set up will ensure a safe, fun family experience. Loaner tents are available. Call (623) 930-4203 for information and (623) 930-2820 to register.

**Watermill Express Toddler Water Day.** It’s time to hit the water! Join us from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., Friday, May 14, at Sahuaro Ranch Park, 63rd Ave. & Mountain View Rd., for a morning of fun water activities. Children should be dressed to get wet! There will be a variety of water games that will leave them soaked. Children must be accompanied by an adult or guardian and are required to wear shoes or sandals; no bare feet allowed. Don’t forget the SUNSCREEN. Snacks and refreshments will be available for purchase. For more information, call (623) 930-2038.

**Teen Volunteer Fair.** The Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St., is hosting a Teen Volunteer Fair at the library auditorium wing on Saturday, May 15, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for students, ages 12-18, who are looking for volunteer opportunities.

Besides the library, teens can find out about volunteer opportunities with the following organizations: Arizona Humane Society, Brambley Hedge Rabbit Rescue, WHEAT: Ending Hunger Through Education and Action, Sahuaro Ranch Historic Area/Glendale Parks and Recreation Department, Helping Hands Housing Services, Tranquility Trail Animal Sanctuary, Hope Animal Foundation, and John C. Lincoln Health Network/Desert Missions Program. Other organizations may be present that day as well.

For more information about the event, call (623) 930-3537.

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